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UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION: BOX FOR CIGARETTES

We have been informed by the United States Patent Office that all eight claims have been rejected on the grounds of the American patent prior art. Dr. Hach has been instructed to prepare a reply for the United States Patent Office in support to our United States application.

NEW PATENTS ISSUED

The following applications have been published recently:

The Netherlands	7804047	Process of Improving Tobacco (Anaerobic Fermentation)
Australia	34921/78	Same as above
The Netherlands	7900761	Process of Improving Tobacco (Aerobic Fermentation)
Australia	43472/79	Same as above

REGISTRATION OF PATENT RIGHTS FROM LIGGETT & MYERS TO FTR

The transfer of patent rights from Liggett & Myers to FTR for the undermentioned patents has been executed with the German Patent Office.

West Germany	PS 15 17 297	Basic Lark Filter
West Germany	PS 22 29 269	Tobacco Flavorants in Form of Aldehydes, Alcohols, Acids, Esters and Ethers which can be Embodied in Tobacco as by Spraying etc.
West Germany	PS 21 64 824	Apparatus for Making Lark Filters and Functioning to Axially Compact the Particulate Charge in the Filter Unit Assembly
West Germany	PS 25 58 004	Filter, Apparatus & Method of Making same. So-Called "Tow-in Tow" Filter Commonly Termed the "Vello"
West Germany	GM 79 19 909	Same as above
West Germany	GM 75 40 983	Same as above
West Germany	PS 12 95 456	Apparatus and Process for Making Lark Filters

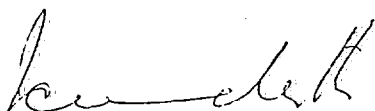
## RENEWAL FEES

The renewal fees have been paid for the undermentioned patents and patent applications:

Switzerland	516 914	Process and Apparatus for Producing a Sheet of Tobacco
Great Britain	1 257 768	Same as above
South Africa	70/6445	Same as above
West Germany	PS 2 338 735	Method and Apparatus for Producing Smokable Fibrous Material
Great Britain	1 408 330	Same as above
Luxemburg	68 080	Smokable Product with Meerschaum Particles
Switzerland	590 619	Same as above
France	2 245 303	Same as above
South Africa	74/4634	Same as above
Australia	478 464	Same as above
West Germany	PS 2 431 634	Smokable Product with Meerschaum Particles
Great Britain	1 454 227	Same as above
Luxemburg	68 081	Same as above
West Germany	PS 2 431 635	Same as above
Great Britain	1 454 228	Same as above
Russia	575 009	Same as above
Great Britain	1 497 514	Process for Production of Synthetic Tobacco
West Germany	OS 2 633 627	Same as above
Luxemburg	77 872	Process of Improving Tobacco (Anaerobic Fermentation)
Luxemburg	81 611	Process of Improving Tobacco (Candida Utilis)
Luxemburg	80 049	Box for Smoking Articles

## PATENT DOCUMENTATION

Todate, 4100 patents are on the STAIRS system for patent documentation.



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